leader of the Democratic forces in the House of Representatives, appears to be possused of a short memory, which must be held responsi-

ble, as Dr. Everett would say, for "injecting him into a cavity." In the course of the proceedings on Thursday last when the House came to vote on the Diplomatic and Consular bill, Mr. Bailey made a motion to recommit the bill, with instructions to Insert the Senate resolution recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. The motion was antagonized by Mr. Hitt (Rep., Ill.) in charge of the bill, on the ground that it was out of order, and the objection was sussained by the Chair. Then Mr. Balloy charged had faith and violation of an agreement, which claimed had been made between himself and Speaker Reed, to permit this motion to be This led to an issue of veracity between the two gentlemen, the Speaker denying that any such agreement had been made, and the House sustained him. Mr. Bailey admitted on that occasion that he had no understanding with Mr. Hitt, in charge of the bill, and the point of order made by the latter was

To-day, rising to a question of personal privilege, Mr. Balley invoked the terms of an agreement which he now asserted had been made with him by Mr. Hitt. Mr. Bailey recited the making of the motion on Thursday, and con-

"To my motion the gentleman from Illinois, Mr. Hitt, made the point of order. I protested that it ought not to be made, and asserted that there had been an agreement with the House to take a vote upon the direct proposition to recommit the bill with instructions. The gentleman from Illinois controverted my statement. Then the matter was left. I would not now revive it for the purpose of getting outside the record, or for the purpose of confirming my own statement or contradicting his, but find a statement now a part of the Congress sional Record, so distinct and explicit that I teel it due to myself that I should call it to the attention of the House and of the country."

Mr. Bailey read from the record the collogue between Mr. Hitt and Mr. Quigg and several Democratic members regarding the close of the debate and the proposal to vote on the motion to recommit the bill, closing with this state-ment by Mr. Hitt: "And it is understood, Mr. Chairman, that there will be but one yes and may vote, that on a motion to recommit." Continuing, Mr. Bailey said he had no desire

to insinuate falsehood or unfair dealing against any man, but there had been either a misunderstanding or a misstatement.

Mr. Henderson (Rep., Ia.)-As a lawyer, familiar with the rule, what would be the gen tleman's construction of that statement of the gentleman from Illinois?

Mr. Bailey-I am free to say that I under stood both then, and prior, that the Republican party was ready to take its stand along with the President, who said in his message that this resolution ought not to be adopted; and along with the gentleman from Illinois who de clared in his speech that the matter ought to be left to the President to settle; that it was ready to take a direct vote upon the proposition and to vote the resolution down, because that was

Mr. Dalzell (Rep., Pa.)—Does the gentleman make any distinction between a motion to re-commit and a motion to recommit with in-

quibble.

Mr. Williams (Dem., Miss.)—There was no doubt at all in the mind of either Mr. Quigg, Mr. Hitt, or myself on this point, and the colloquy leaves no doubt that the motion contemplated was to recommit with instructions. That was leaves no doubt that the motion contemplated was to recommit with instructions. That was the language I used.

Mr. Henderson pressed his question again whether Mr. Bailey believed Mr. Hitt's state-ment implied anything else than a pressumption that the motion referred to would be a motion under the rules and not subject to a point of

under the rules and not subject to a point of order.

Mr. Bailey—Why, certainly, because we did not need any agreement for that, which, under the rules was a matter of right. [Applause.]

Mr. Henderson—No understanding on the part of the gentleman from Texas or any one else could have cut off the right of myself or any memer of the House to make any point of order upon any instructions which might not be proper under the rules.

Mr. Bailey—And it did not cut you off; because enough Republicans had professed a willinguess to vote for the adoution of that resolution; and it was to save you either from defeat at the hands of these dissatisfied Republicans or to save them from embarrassment at home that the agreement was violated. It is absurd, Mr. Speaker, to suppose that we have to contract for rights that under the rules cannot be denied us.

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Mr. Lacey; (Rep., Ia.) asked if the contract
was not made simply to enable members to go
to a funeral.

Mr. Bailey—Then you admit that there was a

Mr. Balley—Then you admit that there was a contract!

Mr. Balley—Only to enable members to attend the funeral of Major Butterworth. You did not ask that there should be any waiver of the fules of the House or that the point should be withdrawn that had been contested for a day.

Mr. Balley—The gentleman perfectly understands that any motion consistent with the Constitution is in order and can be entertained if no point of order is made against it. If both sides of the House agree that a motion to recommit with instructions might be made, it being plainly in the minds of both sides what the instructions would be, such a proposition so assented to is tantamount to an agreement that the point of order should be waived.

Speaker Reed—No agreement of that sort could have been made without the consent of the House that its rules should be waived in any case.

Mr. Balley—If that is true. Law willing to

case.

Mr. Bailey—If that is true, I am willing to rest the matter, for what I rise to-day for was to establish what was my understanding of the

The Speaker—The question had never been submitted to the House as a matter of fact.

Mr. Hailey—It was stated on the floor of the House, and there was no objection. It has been held, I presume, a hundred times that when an understanding is made in the presence of the House and no objection made, it is tantament to an agreement. mount to an agreement.

The Speaker-Well, the matter speaks for itself.

Mr. Balley—The Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, in accordance with the agreement which is known on both sides of the House, and which Mr. Lacey says he took advantage, of by going to Mejor Butterworth's funeral, promised that we should have a yea and nay vote on the motion to recommit. Now I ask if we have had such a vote! If not, I say that the agreement has been violated, and with that I]clave the matter with right-minded men on this floor and the people of this country. [Applause.]

Mr. Hitt explained, at some length that his purpose in agreeine with Mr. Williams was to fix a time when the vote should be taken. It had no relation to a waiving of any rule of the House. A member in charge of a great appropriation bill, he said, would be recreant to the trust renosed in him in the management of such a measure if he did not insist upon a strict efforcement of the rules.

Mr. W. A. Stone (Hep., Pa.)—Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask, so that we may know for use hereafter, whether a dialogue between any two members of the House, which seems to have been held between them by an agreement, is hading on the House and ratified, so appearing on the records.

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Speaker Reed—There arek wo difficulties about Speaker Reed.—There are two difficulties about it, even if there was an agreement, which does not seem to have taken piace. If there was one the Committee of the Whole has no right to waive the rules of the House, nor has anybody the right to waive the rules of Lae House except the House tash. Such an agreement as that would have to be submitted to the House stany time in order to be effectual. The House never passed upon this alleged agreement in any way.

Several Republican members desired to expose the change of position made by Mr. Halley additions the change of position made by Mr. Halley delitting the alleged agreement from Mr. Steele tilet, but the Speaker restrained from Mr. Steele tilet, Ind. said he had a question of personal privilege to present. When Mr. Clark of Missouri was addressing the House on Cuba the other day, he (Steele) had asked a question, by the gentleman's consent, and it had been answered. The interruption did not appear in the record and he would like to inquire how its omission occurred.

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carrect statement, whereupon Mr. Steele said
be was satisfied and the incident was closed.

The House then went info committee of the
whole on the Indian Appropriation bill. The
should not have a wide range, including finance,
tariff, currency reform, outrages upon the
ladians and white citizens in the Territory,
armor plate, the necessity of admitting Oklasoma into the Union as a State, and Cuba, the
atter in an eloquent speech by Mr. Cummings

A QUESTION OF VERACITY.

BAILEY OF TEXAS FIRST RAISED IX AGAINST SPEAKER REED.

The Speaker Submitted It to the House and the House Sustained Him—Vesterday Mr. Halley Pat the Hlame on Chairman Mitt. Whem He Had Exenerated on Thursday.

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Dem., N. Y.) advocating intervention by the United States to drive Spain out of the Island.

Mr. King (Dom., Utah) defended the action of the Court marking t

IN THE SENATE.

mendments Offered to the Teller Resolution

Pension Bills Passed. WARRINGTON, Jan. 22. - Senator Allen's cham plouship of the case of Mrs. Roberts, the dismissed Pension Office clerk, was rewarded with a handsome basket of flowers placed on his desk this morning, with a card indicating that it came from "The ladies of the departments, for your noble and brave advocacy of a woman's

A bill for the publication of pension rolls wa introduced by Mr. Cannon of Utah.

It directs the publication of the list of pension ers in pamphlet form before Jan. 1 next, and hereafter as often as Congress may prescribe The list of each State is to be published in a rolume of itself, and is to contain the names arranged in alphabetical order, together with Post Office addresses, the relationship of the pensioner with the soldier on whose account it is granted, the company and regiment, the date and place of muster and the rank then held, the manner of termination of service (by death or discharge) and the rank then held, the present rate of pension, the date when granted, and the dates and amounts of increase, if any. One copy of each State list is to be mailed to each news saper published in that State.

An amendment to the Pension Appropriation bill was presented by Mr. Gallinger (Rep., N.

bill was presented by Mr. Gallinger (Rep., N. H.), Chairman of the Committee on Pensions, providing that hereafter no pensions snail be paid on powers of attorney to pensioners residing in foreign countries.

Mr. Teller's concurrent resolution declaring United States bonds payable, principal and interest, in gold or silver, at the option of the Government, was taken up so as to give Mr. Stewart of Nevada an opportunity to make a speech upon it. Mr. Stewart spoke for an hour and a haif.

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An amendment to the resolution was offered by Mr. Nelson (Rep., Minn.) declaring it to be the duty of the United States, under existing laws, to maintain the parity in value of its gold and silver money, so that the dollar of one metal may, for all monetary purposes, always be equal in value to the dollar of the other metal.

The resolution was then laid aside, the calendar was taken up, and pension bills were considered, the following being passed: Defining and regulating proof in certain pension cases; to supplement the act of June 27, 1890, as to pensions, by making widows pensionable under that act whose husbands died in the service; to amend the Mexican war pension act of 1887, by extending its provisions to clerks of army paymasters; prohibiting pensions to widows who marry discharged soldiers after the passage of this act, and amending the dependent pension act of 1890, so as to make some of its provisions clearer.

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Six private pension bills, including one increasing to \$50 a month the pension of Gen.

Haibert E. Paine, were also passed.

Among the other bills passed were these:

To authorise the construction of a steel bridge over the Snake River between the States of Washington and Idland.

and Idaho.

Granting 25,000 acres of land for the use of the Industrial School for Girls of Alabama and of the Tuskogee Normal and Industrial Institute.

For the relief of applicants to purchase public lands under the timber and stone act.

Authorizing the construction of a railroad bridge across the Leggy Bayou in Louisians.

For the investigation of leprosy by a commission of medical officers in the Marine Hospital service, the cost not to exced \$5,000.

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Mr. Spooner (Rep., Wis.) gave notice that he would offer the following substitute for the concurrent resolution as to payment of bonds:

It is declared to be the fluancial policy of the United States that, until there shall have been obtained an international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world for the free coinage of silver (which agreement the United States is hereby further pledged to promote), the faith, honor, and credit of the United States are solemnly pledged to preserve the existing gold standard, and all silver and paper currency shall be maintained at a parity with gold, and all obligations of the United States shall be maintained involably at the present standard.

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The Senate then went into executive session, and soon afterward adjourned till Monday.

The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill reported to the Senate to-day carries is total of \$21,629,300, of which the committee added \$153,055 net. Among the new items are these: Requiring Collectors of Customs at ports where no immigration officers are stationed to enforce the immigration and Alien Contract Labor laws; appropriating \$11,475 for assistants in order that the Library of Congress may be opened at night; increasing the force of examiners in the Pension Office by ten men; providing for the issue of a series of navigation charts of the Hawaiian Islands from the data of a survey made by the Hawaiian Government and placed at the disposal of the United States; increasing the force and coinage facilities at the New Orleans mint.

REARMING OUR WARSHIPS.

Rapid-Fire Guns Are Being Substituted for Slow-Fire Rifles as Rapidly as Possible.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-Secretary Long said Interpreted Assistant Secretary Roosevelt's letter about the need of better guns on the cruise Chicago into an admission that the United States were doing nothing to improve the character of the armament on their ships. The Navy Department, Mr. Long said, was keeping thoroughly abreast of the times in naval prog-ress, and our ships were the equal of any in the

The ships which needed better guns were com The ships which needed better guins were com-paratively old vessels, and it was necessary to give them weapons of a more modern character than those they have had. As evidence that the conversion of slow-fire rifles into the rapid-fire variety was progressing rapidly, the Secretary pointed to the last report of the Chief of Ord-nance, which showed that the guns of a num-ber of ships, the Atlants, Charleston, Nowark, and others, had been changed.

Torpedo Boat Footo Breaks One of Mer Pro

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-The torpedo boat Foote put into Port Royal, S. C., this morning, crippled by the breaking off of her starboard ropeller shaft. The Foote was on her way to oin the torpedo boat flotilla in the Gulf of Mexico, and had gone south from Norfolk by Mexico, and had gone south from Norfolk by the inside route. Orders were sent immediately by the Navy Department for the disabled craft to return to Norfolk, and directions for the immediate shipment from Baltimere to that place of a propeller shaft of the torpedo boat Rodgers, under repairs there, were also sent. The Foots will be able to get to Norfolk under one propeller. Accidents of this character are expected to happen to torpedo boats, owing to their delicate mechanism, and one of the reasons for sending the flotilla on a long voyage was to develop their weaknesses in order that they might be remedied.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-Mr. Meikeljohn acting Secretary of War, to-day took final action n the cases of the cadets at the Military Academy who were found deficient in studies at the ecent semi-annual examination. Ten third recent semi-annual examination. Ten third class men and twenty-five fourth class men are discharged, four third class men are turned back to the fourth class, and one cadet in the second class is allowed to continue with that class, subject to examination in the studies in which he was deficient.

The Treasury Department has awarded the contract for making the crib bulkhead and the dredging and filling therefor in connection with the new immigrant station at Ellis Island to Warren Hoosevelt of 16 Beaver street, New York. The contract price is \$61.046.80, and the work is to be completed within 120 working days.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- The Senate to-day WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The Senate to-day confirmed these nominations;
James Longstreet of Georgia, to be Commissioner of Railrosdis.
George W. Dickinson of New York, Consul at Acapite, and Robert Butler Mahone of Virginia, Consul at Newo Laredo, Maxico.
Edwin A. Hartchen, Assistant Appraisor of Merchandise at New York.
Michael Gleason, Postmaster at Carthage, N. Y.
C. Wesley Thomas, to be Collector of Customs for the district of Philadelphia.
St. Clair A. Mulholland, to be Pension Agent at Philadelphia.
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Gen. Longstreet's nomination was only con-trued by a yea and may vote after a sharp dis-ussion lasting an hour and a haif. Senator Vest cussion lasting an hour and a han. Senator the hade the principal speech in opposition, his main objection being based upon Longstreet's record during the reconstruction period. Senators Caffery and Berry also opposed confirmation. The vote was 38 in the affirmative and 15 in the negative.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- A bill introduced to day by Representative Prince of Illinois authorizes the National Hudson River Bridge Company to build a bridge across the Hudson between the city of New York and New Jersey. The central span is to bave a minimum height of 150 feet above the highest tide. The plans for the bridge must be approved by the Secretary of War and submitted to him within three years.

man with fair bair and engaging British man ners who will endear himself to various mem-bers of the Appleton Publishing Company, the Century Company and some few others by kindly getting himself arrested. His name is not Epps, Edward Epps, though that is the name he goes by, and that's about all that is known about him. Two or three years ago he made several valuable acquaintances and loans, almost simultaneously, in this city, and disappeared in time to escape arrest. Now he is around again working the same game which he found profitable before. Members of the firm of D. Appleton & Co. were the sufferers

About two weeks ago this young man called at the Appleton publishing house and asked to see one of the members of the firm. "Which one did you wish to see!" asked the

man at the desk. "Oh, any one will do," replied the visitor. "It's merely a call of courtesy, a custom we have in England. It's really expected in the literary and artistic set. I'm Mr. Epps, brother-

in-law of Alma Tadema and Edmund Gosse.' Thereupon Mr. Epps was shown in and warm-ly received by one of the firm. In conversation showed an apparent familiarity with the literary and artistic people of London, and expressed pleasure and surprise that the Ameri-

can should be so well informed on the subject. "But, of course, you would be likely to know my people," he added. "You publish some of Edmund's works I believe." His new-found friend invited Mr. Epps to

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His new-found friend invited Mr. Epps to luncheon with him, and as they are and drank the conversation turned upon the young Englishman's visit to this country.

"Perhaps you write," suggested the host, "and are on a tour of observation. Don't treat us too harshly in your notes."

"No: I'm not over here for that purpose at all." said the other. "Quite different, I assure you. My father, as you know, is very wealthy; at least we call him so in England. Over here, where a fortune of five millions sterling is a a mere nothing. I suppose he'd be considered only moderately prosperous. But he has always said that I must earn my own living: so he has sent me here on my way to Canada, where he starts me in on a new stock farming scheme of mine, with £20,000 as a starter. Know anything about Southdown sheep!"

The American said that he didn't, which was probably a great relief to Mr. Epps.

"There's millions in raising Southdowns in Canada, "he continued. "Right climate, right pasturage, right market, right everything. Just at present I'm waiting here for my remittances, and, do you know, it's deucedly awkward, but they're delayed, and those hotel beasts are beginning to be nasty about my bill."

There was a pause. The host hesitated, but the confident, easy manner of Mr. Epps was convincing. The host suggested to the Englishman his willingness to help out. Mr. Epps thanked him, extracted \$10, and departed, snying that he would return in a day or so. He did; was received by others at the publishing house, get more money from them, and referred them to certain friends of his in the Century Publishing Company. Some days later, when their attractive English friend failed to return, the Appleton people communicated with the Century people only to find that they had been swindled, and by the same man who had swindled the Century people only to find that they had been swindled, and by the same man who had swindled the

pleton people communicated with the Century people, only to find that they had been swindled, and by the same man who had swindled the Century people some years ago.

In his former tour the swindler called to see Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the Century, both at his house and at his office, but failed to find him. He did, however, find W. Lewis Fraser of the Century's art department, to whom he told his tale of being Alma Tadema's brother-in-law. He spoke of his father as Mr. Epps, the manufacturer, and said that he had recently given £100,000 to Mrs. Alma Tadema "I thought the father of Mrs. Alma Tadema was a physician," said Mr. Fraser. "He is always spoken of as Dr. Epps."

"He's a manufacturer, too," said the young man. "He gave up his practice to go into business."

This and some other minor points made Mr. Fraser a little suspicious, but his visitor's manner was so easy and his talk of English celebrities so familiar that the suspicion was allayed. He went home to dine with Mr. Fraser, and to Malcolm Fraser, his son, related marvellous tales of exploits on the hunting and polofield. One thing he proposed to do was to bring his polo ponies over here and teach the Americans how to play the game properly. He also told about his \$100,000 farm in Canada which his father had purchased and stocked for him. Then he borrowed money and went away. Afterward Mr. Fraser found that his brother-inlaw, Henry Sandham, the Boston artist, had been swindled by the spurious Epps.

Other men in Boston had also been taken in, and had entertained the young man. Information about him came from various narts of the country. As a son of Canon Farrar he had got money from Charles Dudley Warner. In Birmingham, Ala., he had represented himself as the son of a millionaire iron manufacturer in England, and in Pittsburg, Pa., a reward was offered for his arrest on charges of swindling. Various Southern cities entertained him. A peculiar point of his career is that the sums of money he borrowed were small, and he seemed to care more f

Me is described as being about 50 years oin, medium height, very slender, flaxen hair, ruddy complexion, small eyes, talks with a great deal of manner, and has a nervous cough. He is ultra-English in dress and speech, and suggests in his dress the sporting Englishman. The Century people conjecture that he may have been a groom or a valet in some good English family, and so has learned how to early himself as an acquaintance of the people whom he claims to know. The Charity Organization Society does not know of him under the name of Epps.

GRIGGS TO BE A CABINET OFFICER. The Governor of New Jersey Nominated for

Atterney-General. WARRINGTON, Jan. 22.-The President today nominated Gov. John W. Griggs of New

lersey to be Attorney-General.

John W. Griggs was porn in Newton, Sussex county, N. J. He is 48 years old. He arraduated from Lafayette College in 1868. He studied law in the office of Robert Hamilton in Trenton, N. J., and afterward went to Paterson and finshed his course in the office of Socrates Tuttle. He was admitted to the bar in 1871 and became a member of the firm of Tuttle & Griggs The partnership continued until 1880. His rise in the profession of the law was rapid, and he was acknowledged one of the leaders of the bar of New Jersey in a few years. He was elected to the State Assembly in 1875, and in his first term assisted in revising the laws of the State in accordance with amendments to the Constitution adopted the previous year. Most of the important general laws were intrusted or the important general laws were important general as were important general laws were imported and became the head of the Law Committee. He was defeated in 1878, when the Republican party met defeat everywhere in the State. Later he was made counsel to the various boards in Passaic county and of the city of Paterson. He served three terms as City Counsel of Paterson. In 1882 he was elected to the State Senate and was re-elected in 1885. He was President of the Senate for two years and was also President of the Court of Impenchment which tried and impeached Patrick Laverty. He retired from polities in 1888 and devoted all his time to practicing law until 1895, when Garret A. Hobart began his cannoting for the Vice Presidential nomination. Mr. Griggs was asked by Mr. Hohart to become a candidate for Governor of New Jersey. The State had not had a Republican Governor since 1869. The nomination looked to be an empty honor. Mr. Griggs agreed to accept the weever, and after his momination he went in to win, and did win by one of the largest majorities ever received by a candidate for Governor of New Jersey. His term as Governor would not have expired until next year. solely to him for revision. He was re-elected until next year.

These nominations were also sent to the Sonato:

Belah Merrill, Consul of the United States at Jerusa-em, Syria. lem. Syria.

Collectors of Customs—C. Wesley Thomas, for the district of Philadelphila, Pa.; Domingo M. Pappy, for the district of St. Augustine, Fia.

John F. Horr to be Marshal and John Eagan to be Attorney of the United States for the Northern District of Florida.

St. Chir A. Mulholland to be pension agent at Philadelphia.
Henry S. Chubb, Receiver of Public Moneys, and
Walter S. Boblinson, Register of the Land Office as
Gaincaville, Fla.

Union Pacific Money to Be Paid Into the

Washington, Jan. 22.—The banks having deposits on account of the sale of the Union Pacific Railroad will be called on on Wednesday next to pay into the Treasury 10 per cent, of the

New York Indians Under the Raises Law. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 .- A bill was passed in the House to-day placing the Cattaraugus and Seneca Indian Reservations in New York under the operations of the Raines Liquor law and giving the State courts and officials jurisdic-tion over violations on the reservations.

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WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING.

The grand opera has added the touch required to make the social season of 1897-98 an assured success. The audiences at the Metropolitan on opera nights have lacked nothing of the brilliancy of former seasons. Mrs. Astor, whose diamonds were conceded to be the most magnificent worn at Covent Garden during the Queen's jubilee, has appeared in some of her finest ornaments. For example, she has worn together a wonderful tiara of diamonds combined with pearls, a collarette with pendant to match, and on her corsage a large bowknot of diamonds which originally formed part of the crown jewels of Louis XIV. This latter, by the way, has set the fashion for jowelled Empire bowknots. Mrs. A. Z. Leiter of Washington wore a splendid bowknot on Wednesday night on the corsage of her royal purple peau de sole. This was combined with tiara, necklace and other ornaments.

The opera has had the usual effect of making the social functions of the week all very late affairs. It was somewhat after 2 o'clock on Monday night when the guests at Mrs. Astor's ball returned to the ballroom for the cotilion. A few of the dancers were so weary, having first attended dinner parties and then the opera, that they went home at 4 o'clock. At that time there were still several favor figures to be danced. Mrs. Ogden Mills's Friday night cotilion was also a late one.

Mrs. George J. Gould will pour ten to-morrow afternoon at the reception for which Mrs. John Vinton Dahlgren has sent out cards, Mrs. Dahlgren is giving a series of teas and dinners. Archbishop Corrigan, who was to have been the guest of honor at the dinner given by her on guest of honor at the diffice given of all of Thursday night, was unable to be present be-cause of illness. One of the guests was the Marquis Romano di Subro, the new Secretary of the Italian Embassy at Washington. The Marquis is a fluc-looking and accomplished young man, who speaks several languages, in-cluding English, fluently.

Mrs. Joseph Drexel will give a ball at Delmonico's on Tuesday night, Feb. 8, for her daughter Miss Josephine Drexel, one of the two or three great heiresses presented this winter. Mrs. Drexel will be assisted by her three married daughters, Mrs. John Vinton Dahlgren, Mrs. Eric B. Dahlgren, and Mrs. Penrose of Philadelphia. Mrs. Drexel has a picture gallery in her Madison avenue home which is as large as most of the private ball-rooms in town, but despite this prefers not having her house disturbed, as would inevitably happen in the case of a large entertainment.

Miss Constance Trenholm and Dr. Russell Bellamy have decided on Wednesday, April 20. for their wedding day. With one exception all of the attendants of Dr. Bellamy will be Squadron A men. Mr. Frelinghuysen of this organization will be the best man. Robert L. Gerry will be the one outside man in the list of ushers. It will be recalled that Elbridge T. Gerry intrusted his son to Dr. Bellamy some years ago when he was suffering from a lung trouble. He and Dr. Bellamy went on a year's trip in the far West, had a delightful time, and became fast West, had a delightful time, and became fast friends. Dr. Bellamy is a sergeant of the hos-pital corps of Squadron A. Miss Constance Trenholm, who is an uncommonly pretty girl, is a daughter of William L. Trenholm, who was Comptroller of the Currency under Cleveland.

Perry Belmont, who will give a dance very hortly, entertained at dinner on Thursday night. Among his guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. mediately after the banquet on account of their dance for their debutante daughter. Mrs. Cut-ting has cards out for a reception on the night of Jan. 31. Bayard Cutting, who were obliged to leave im-

There was quite an array of military people here to attend the Weekes-Alexander wedding on Wednesday. The bride's father, Col. Alexander, is an old army officer. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Delnno Weekes will on their return from their bridal trip live at the Hotel Netherland. In the spring they will go to Mr. Weekes's coun-try place at Oyster Bay. Gen. and Mrs. Butter-field took advantage of the presence of so many military men in town to entertain a number of officers at dinner on Wednesday night.

Among the passengers to arrive from London on the steamer Germanic this week will be Mrs Wilton Phipps and her daughter, who are com-ing to pay a short visit to Mrs. Phipps's mother, Mrs. Butler Duncan.

To-morrow night Major-Gen. Merritt and his aides will be the guests of Mrs. Westervelt in her box at the opera. Mrs. George Pendleton Bowler will also be of Mrs. Westervelt's party.

The talk of Easter lilies and brides already be gins. It is now said that Miss Emilie Iselin and John George Beresford are to be married. The announcement of the engagement in an evening newspaper on Wednesday occasioned surprise newspaper on Wednesday occasioned surprise. This was due to the fact that the members of the Iselin family are now in the deepest mearning. The bride-elect as the daughter of Adrian Iselin, one of the richest of New York bankers, is a prospective heiress. Moreover, her mother, who died recently, left her large estate to her seven children upon the death of their father. Although Mr. Beresterd has been in this country for the past quarter of a century, since a young man, he will probably return to England to live after his marriage. He is a cousin of the Marquis of Waterford and of Lords Charles and William Beresford.

Beresford. Mr. and Mrs. John Alden Philbrick, née Wil son, will, on their return from their bridal trip, go to live at the Sevillia, 117 West Fifty-eighth go to live at the sevilla, if west fitty-eighth street. The wedding on Thursday was unique in that attention was paid to the present Parisian craze for yellow and orange tints. Each of the several bridesmaids costumes varied in hue from pale yellow to deep orange. All wore black picture hats and carried Easter lines.

Worthington Whitehouse, who led the cotillon at the dance given on Friday night by Mrs Ogden Mills, and on the preceding night at the Cutting dance, will lead again to-morrow night at Mrs. Henry T. Sloane's. On this occasion his hostess will be his parther, and the favors given

are to be unusually pretty. Like the other re-cent dances, that of Mr. and Mrs. Sloane will be a very late affair.

Mrs. James A. Burden will give her first dance on Tuesday night for a long period, during which she has been in mourning for her brother, Richard Irvin. Mrs. Burden will have her daughter-in-law, Mrs. James A. Burden, Jr., and her sister, Mrs. Griswold Gray, to assist her in receiving. Mrs. Gray is passing her first winter in New York for several seasons, being now devoted to Paris.

There are several functions as well as the opera to claim the attention of society on Wednesdsy night. Mr. and Mrs. W. Starr Miller will give a dance, which will of course be a smart affair. The new Tuesday Evening Club will meet for the second time at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor. Elaborate suppers are a feature of these meetings. The town wedding of the week will be that of Miss Laura Dunne Ireland and Louis H. Junod, which will take place on Tuesday night at the Church of the Heavenly Rest. So many cards are out for this that the church will be crowded. It will be a white and blue wedding with the exception of the bridesmaids bouquets which will be of jacqueminot roses. The reception after the church ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Ireland, will be a large one. Miss Ireland rave a bridesmaids' luncheon yesterday. Those scated at the rose trimmed tables were: Miss Laura Duane Ireland, her sister, Miss Adelia Avena Ireland, who is to be her maid of honor; Miss Julia L. Delafield, Miss Helen Galatin, Miss May Beekman, Miss Hone Drake, Miss Marie Eddy, Miss Corneha Clarkson, and Miss Edith Johnson, who are to be her bridesmaids, and five other girl friends. The menu cards were embellished with painted shamrock leaves, and ball crystals inclosing tiny shamrock leaves were given as souvenirs. Mr. Junod gave his farewell bachelor dinner last night at Martin's. His guests included Andrew Wheeler of Philadelphia, who is to be his best man, and A. Muller Vry, Edmund Robert, Eugene Southack, John Hubbell, Reginald Bonner, Charles Matthws, and Robert Ireland, all of this city, and Edward Yarnell of Philadelphia, who are to be his ushers. exception of the bridesmaids' bouquets which

The second Cinderella cotillon will claim the ry's large ballroom. It will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. Supper will be served at midnight. The matrons who give these dances are Mrs. Charles T. Barney, Mrs. Brayton Ives, Mrs. John S. Barnes, Mrs. Cadwalader Jones, Mrs. Charles C. Beaman, Mrs. Edward King, Mrs. John Crosby Brown, Mrs. Henry Beckman Liv-ingston, Mrs. George C. Clark, Mrs. George Mcingston, Mrs. George C. Clark, Mrs. George McCulloch Miller, Mrs. J. James Cross, Mrs. J. W. Miller, Mrs. Walter Cutting, Mrs. Robert B. Minturn, Mrs. Francis Delafield, Mrs. J. Pierpout Morgan, Mrs. Richard H. Derby, Mrs. J. Pierpout Morgan, Jr., Mrs. Frederick J. de Peyster, Mrs. John G. Neeser, Mrs. Henry A. du Pont, Mrs. Afred Pell, Mrs. Walter Gurnec, Jr., Mrs. Charles Phelps, Mrs. J. Montgomery Hare, Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer Robb, Mrs. Henry E. Howland, Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes, Mrs. Stanford White.

Naturally the red domino dance to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Heber R. Hishop on Friday night excites more preliminary interest than the other dances for this week. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop had a project for a Louis XV. dance so Bishop had a project for a Louis XV, dance so that the costumes worn might be in harmony with the epoch of the ballroom decorations. This was abandoned for the red domino, and the idea has taken immensely. The masks and dominos will be removed at supper, as is customary. The masks will be mere bits of red silk and lace. It is havily fair to mention that Worthington Whitchouse is to lead the cotillon, as it robs one red domino at least of its mystery.

The patronesses of the Saturday Evening Roller Skating Club gave a reception and tea at the Berkeley Armory, 20 West Forty-fourth street, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Vernon H. Brown, Mrs. Bortram H. Borden, Mrs. Thomas Benedict Clarke, Mrs. Alfred Henderson, Mrs. Theodore M. Ives, Mrs. William H. Owen, and Mrs. Herbert C. Taylor comprised the receiving party. The committee for this season includes Arthur L. Doremus, Harris B. Fisher, Bertram H. Borden, and Howard Borden, The large room at the armory was gay with bunting, and tea was served at small tables. This is the only roller skating club this winter. The meetings

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Monday, Jan. 24.—Mr. and Mrs Henry Sloane of 9 East Seventy-second street, dance.
Second of the series of three Monday cotillons at Delmonico's, of which Mrs. Richard B. Hartsborne, Mrs. George Trowbridge, and Mrs. Henry Brevoort Kane are the patronesses.
The second of the fortnightly musicales for this season at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Jules Reynal, 263 Madison avenue.

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The second of the three evening recentions given by Mrs. James A. Scrymser of 107 East Twenty-first street.

Mrs. Adolph Outerbridge of 39 East Sixty-fourth street, one of a series of at homes.

Tuesday, Jan. 25.—Mrs. Henry A. du Pont and Miss du Pont, the third of a series of three afternoon receptions at the Buckingham.

Seventh Seidl subscription concert at the Astoria at 9 o'clock P. M.

Old Guard ball at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Mrs. James A. Burden, 908 Fifth avenue, dinner dance. Mrs. James A. Durten, 505 rans.

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Wedding of Miss Laura Duane Ireland and Louis H. Junod, 8:30 P. M., Church of the Heavenly Rest.

Second of a series of lectures on the music dramas of Wagner by Walter Damrosch, 3:30 P. M., at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Mrs. Astor's dinner at her home, 842 Fifth avenue.

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Mrs. Albert James Adams, Miss Adams, of 3
East Sixty-ninth street, reception with music, from 4 until 7.
Mrs. John Herman Eden of 11 West Forty-ninth street, the second of two receptions for her daughter, Miss Maud Eden, from 4 to 7.
Wednesday, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Alfred L. Loomis of 3S West Forty-sixth street, the second of two afternoon teas to introduce her daughter, Miss Mary Prince.
Mrs. Albert Barnes Boardman of 5 East Sixty-sixth street, the second of two afternoon receptions, from 4 until 7.
Mrs. George R. Blanchard, 1 Washington Square North, dinner.
Second meeting of the Tuesday Evening Club at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor.
One of a series of Wednesday cotillons, the dances of the Southern set, at Sherry's.
One of the Wednesday fortnightiy dances at Delmonico's, the patronesses being Mrs. William Gerry Siade, Mrs. George B. Hurd, Mrs. Charles S. Jenkins, Mrs. Alfred M. Judson, Mrs. Henry C. Coe, and Mrs. A. C. Hunt.
The first of a series of talks in the morning at

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The first of a series of talks in the morning at the home of Mrs. Jonas B. Kissam, the Osborne, 205 West Fifty-seventh street, by Miss S. C. Very on "The History of Music" in aid of the Society of the Lying-in Hospital of New York.

Thursday, Jan. 27.—Second Cinderella cotillog at Sharry's

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Fourth and last dance of the "Bachelors and Shinsters" series at the Mondelssoln Assembly Rooms, 108 West Fifty-fifth street.
Mrs. Charles M. de Heredia of 1 East Seventy-sield by street a musicale. Mrs. Charles M. de Heredia of I East Seventyeighth street, a musicale.

Mrs. James Lawrence Breese of 127 East
Thirtieth street will give the third of her series
of three afternoon receptions for Miss Annie
Urquhart Potter, daughter of James Brown
Potter.

Wedding of Alexander Van Rensselaer of
New York and Mrs. John R. Fell at the bride's
country home, Camp Hill, at Fort Washington,
Pa.

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Mrs. William Gilbert Davies and Miss Augusta McKim Davies of 22 East Forty-fifth street, at home on Thursdays in January and February after 3 o'clock.

Euchre party for the families of members at the Harlem Republican Club.
Wedding of Miss Florence Tilden Lynch and Lewis Taylor in Holy Trinity Church, Lenox avenue and 122d street, at 8:30 P. M.
Fourth of the series of dramatic and musical breakfasts at the Astoria.

Friday, Jan. 28.—Hed domino dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hober R. Bishop, 881 Fifth avenue.
Third of a series of four subscription dances organized by Mrs. Alfred M. Snedeker at Sherry's.

Saturday, Jan. 29.—First reception with

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Saturday. Jan. 29.—First reception with games of the Badminton Club for this season at the Berkeley Armory.

he Berkeley Armory. The fifth of the De Coverley dances at Sherry's.

Real Printe Private Sales.

E. de Forest Simmons has sold for the Demorest estate to Mark Arnheim, No. 21 East Fifty-seventh street, a four-story brownstone dwelling, on lot 28x two-story dining room extension x100.

Fell & Sutpluh have sold for Mrs. Rebecca Childs to a client, No. 26 East Seventy-difficulties, a four-story brownstone dwelling, on lot 20x 10x 2.

Gustave Newman has sold for John Hagenbuchle to A. Heinnessev No. 220 East Ninth street, a four-story flat house, 20x90, for \$17.000.

James Takout is reported to have purchased two lots on the west side of Claromont avenue, near Clarmont place, adjoining property siready owned by him. James Takeott is reported to have purchased two lots on the west side of Claremont avenue, near Clarmont place, adjoining property already owned by him.

No. 222 East Third street, a six-story tenement house, 24 yx 100.0, has been sold for \$22,500.
Frank A. Seitz has purchased six lots on Fifth avenue, at the northeast corner of 117th street.
Francis T. Schnugg has sold to Meyer Heilman Nos. 76 and 75 East 1018 street, two live-story flat houses, each 25x75x100. In part payment Mr. Schnugg takes six lots on the northeast corner of First avenue and Nineteenth street, just bought by Mr. Heilman from Mrs. 6. Davis. Mr. Schnugg also has nold to Amelia C. Schafer Nos. 985 and 987 Columbus avenue, two five story flat houses, 5c (3x85x100). In part payment he takes No. 422 West Fifty seventh street.

The Marx-Ernst syndicate has sold to John P. Ellis the plot, 80x100, on the north side of 159th street, 120 feet west of Amsterdam avenue, and also the lot, 20x100, on the south side of 150th street, 175 feet west of Amsterdam avenue.

John T. Duff & Co. have sold for John W. Horner to Paul Haipin the plot, 50x100, on the north side of 188d street, 425 feet west of Amsterdam avenue.

Miss dicen R. Russell has sold to Isaac Mayer the plot 100x110, on the southwest corner of 117th street and Madison avenue.

John H. Sturk has sold to Thomas Monahan Nos. 1325 and 1827 Fifth avenue, two five-story flat houses on plots 50x100. In part payment is given the plot 50x100 for payment is given the plot 50x100 for payment is given the plot 50x100 for payment is given the plot of 7x105. A the southwest corner of Second and Horner for the payment is given the plot of calle Fo. 11. Hobbs have sold for James Livingston for each from the plans, the seven story fire proof apartment house, northwest corner Elighty-sixth street. Central Park West. 100 feet on the avenue and of ofeet on the street, to an investor; terms private.

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In Brooklyn Leonard Moody has sold for John H. Griele to Bridget boundue for \$5,000 No. 1085 Fait on street, a four-story brick sportment bouse, with store, 222,602,100; also for William H. Reynolds to Thomas Alton, No. 315 Fark place, a three story and basement brownstone house, 202100, for \$7,000.

Jamies R. Ross & Fin. have sond for Vincent H. Lemarche to Simon F. Rothscalld No. 241 Hancock streat, between Marcy and Tompkins avenues, a four story and basement brownstone front house, 21.6x 652100.

TWO CENTENARIANS.

Mrs. Elizabeth Spatford and Mrs. Ann H. Alexander Each Celebrates Her 100th Birthday. BINGHAMTON, Jan. 22 .- Mrs. Elizabeth Spafford of Union, nine miles from this city, colebrated her 100th birthday to-day with a family reunion in which a number of her children. grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren participated. In the afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock, she received all of the people who desired to call upon ber at a public reception. Mrs. Spafford is still fairly vigorous, can see and hear well, and thoroughly enjoys three good meals a day. She waits on herself and is up and dressed every morning so as to eat her breakfast before daylight. She is the oldest of a family of twelve children, and is the only one now living. She was born in Amsterdam, N. Y., but in her childhood went to Otsego county, where she lived until seven years ago. Before she was 18 she was married to William Spafford, and lived with him for sixty-two years, until he died, twenty years ago. All of that time they lived on the same farm, where she continued to live for thirteen years after her husband's death. All that time, except the first few years, when they lived in a log cabin, they lived in the same

house.

Only four of her nine children are still living. Only four of her nine children are still living. They are four daughters, aged 80, 73, 68 and 63 years. Her mother lived to be 94 and her grandmother was 102 years old.

Schenectady, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Ann H. Alexander celebrated her one hundredth birthday today in West Charlton, Saratoga county. She was born in Salem, Conn., Jan. 22, 1798. The centennial was celebrated at the house of her nephew, W. J. Hayes, and a goodly number of friends and relatives paid their respects to the aged woman, who is in excellent health and spirits. Her father, Henry Hayes, came to Galway in 1806. Mrs. Alexander says that she remembers well that journey, which was made in a sleigh drawn by an ox team, with their only cow tied behind. From Charlton to Galway they had to find their way by means of marked trees, the country being then one vast forest. At Galway her father moved his family into a log house tnat he built, which had no windows, the only light coming down through the chimney opening. Mrs. Alexander's husband, John Alexander of Galway, died in 1885, aged 91. They had no children. Only four of her nine children are still living. They are four daughters, aged 80, 73, 68 and 63



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